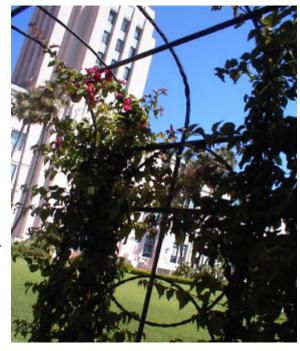
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Bougainvillea

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Bougainvilleas are evergreen shrubbery vines. They are mainly used in patios, gazebos, arbors and along fences, since they provide beautiful colors, shade and showy barriers. They are also placed in the warmest parts of gardens, since they need very little water. They are drought tolerant. Bougainvillea's vibrant colors of white to deep red and purple appear in several varieties.

The most popular colors in San Diego are Ja-



maica white, San Diego red, reddish-purple and yellow-orange. These colors do not

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come from the small, inconspicuous flowers but from three bracts that surround the flowers. The flowers wither and fall a few weeks after they bloom. The roots are highly sensitive to disturbance and require fertilizer every summer and spring. Several Bougainvillea vines are located in the County Administration Center garden.

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